

# STATE OF DISASTER EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION

Executive Department  
State of Kansas  
Topeka, Kansas

By the Governor

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Kansas Emergency Management Act, Chapter 48, Article 9, of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, to meet the inherent dangers of disasters to which the State and its citizens have been exposed, and upon advice of the State Adjutant General as the Director of the Division of Emergency Management, I hereby proclaim a State of Disaster Emergency as follows:

## NATURE OF THE DISASTER:

Multiple rounds of severe thunderstorms have impacted the State with all modes of severe weather including hail, damaging winds, heavy rainfall, flooding, and tornadoes May 22<sup>nd</sup> and continuing. Severe thunderstorms spawned a large, long track tornado that impacted areas of Ottawa and Dickinson Counties during the evening hours of May 25<sup>th</sup> causing various levels of damage to homes and outbuildings. Throughout the evening and overnight hours these storms prompted numerous severe thunderstorm warnings and tornado warnings throughout the North Central and Northeastern regions of the State. This storm system has caused multiple rounds of damage to homes, outbuildings, utilities, personal property, and crops.

## DATE THAT DISASTER AFFECTED THE AREA:

May 22, 2016 and continuing

## AREA AFFECTED BY THE DISASTER:

Cheyenne, Dickinson, Hodgeman, Jefferson, Pottawatomie, Rawlins, and Sherman Counties.

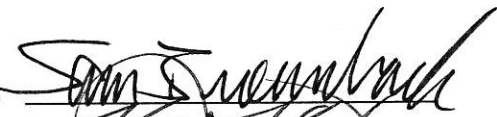
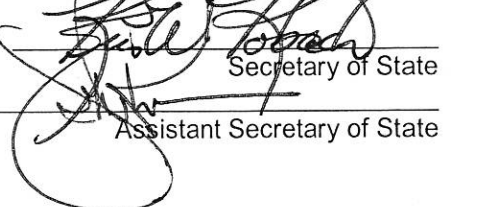
I hereby proclaim, direct and order the Adjutant General of the State of Kansas to activate the disaster response and recovery portions of the Kansas Response Plan. Local and inter-jurisdictional disaster plans applicable to the political subdivisions of areas affected by this Proclamation shall be coordinated by the Adjutant General.

Any or all of the powers conferred upon the Governor by the Kansas Emergency Management Act may be delegated to the Adjutant General as deemed appropriate during this period of proclaimed State of Disaster Emergency. This may be delegated by written orders, or oral orders subsequently reduced to writing with reference to this Proclamation.

This Proclamation shall be filed promptly with the Division of Emergency Management, the Office of the Secretary of State and each city clerk or county clerk, as appropriate, in the area to which this Proclamation applies. Further dissemination of this Proclamation shall occur by means calculated to bring its contents to the attention of the general public.

DONE At the Capitol in Topeka  
Under the Great Seal of the  
State this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June  
A.D., 2016

THE GOVERNOR:

  
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Secretary of State  
  
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Assistant Secretary of State

